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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
8 AT SEATTLE

9 WARREN E. BELL,
10 Plaintiff,
11 v.
12 JEFF BERGLUND, et al.,
13 Defendants.

CASE NO. 3:25-cv-05544-BAT

**ORDER DIRECTING PLAINTIFF
TO PROVIDE STATUS REPORT
REGARDING DEFENDANTS
STEVE KRAFT AND LIBERTY
TOWING**

13 The Court directs Plaintiff, Warren E. Bell, to provide a status report regarding whether
14 he intends to serve Defendants Steve Kraft and Liberty Towing no later than **July 9, 2025**.

15 1. About May 6, 2025, Plaintiff filed a complaint in the District Court for the State
16 of Washington in Pierce County.

17 2. On June 18, 2025, Lakewood Police Officers Jeff Berglund, Mike McGettigan,
18 Charlie Porche, Joshua Northcutt, and the Lakewood Police Department (hereafter “Lakewood
19 Defendants”) filed a Notice of Removal in this Court.

20 3. The Notice of Removal indicates Plaintiff has not served the complaint and
21 summons upon Defendants Steve Kraft and Liberty Towing, and these Defendants have not
22 appeared in this case.

23 4. Under the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff is required to file an

affidavit that a Defendant has been properly served. If a defendant is not served within 90 days, the action against that defendant must normally be dismissed.

5. The Court thus directs Plaintiff to file a status report regarding whether he intends to serve Defendants Steve Kraft and Liberty Towing no later than **July 9, 2025**.

6. The clerk shall provide a copy of this order to all parties.

DATED this 25th day of June, 2025.


BRIAN A. TSUCHIDA
United States Magistrate Judge